Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Ron Luke has been working in the grocery business in South Dakota since he was a teenager, and he and his family have owned and operated Garretson Food Center since June 1, 1996; and,

Whereas, Ron operates Garretson Food Center as a full-service grocery store, as well as a catering service that serves customers in a 100 mile radius, where he and his employees provide outstanding customer service by stocking products requested by customers and delivering groceries to the elderly and disabled; and,

Whereas, Ron serves as a positive role model and mentor to high school students who work at his store; and,

Whereas, Ron is active in his community by serving on the Garretson Community Commercial Club Board, the Economic Development Board, the Splitrock Medical Clinic Board, and coaching youth sports, and he is a generous supporter of school, church, and nonprofit activities in the community; and,

Whereas, Ron lives out his belief that the most rewarding aspect of being in business is to know he and his staff are serving the community, doing good for the town, and making a difference in people's lives while representing the very best in retailing; and,

Whereas, The South Dakota Retailers Association has presented the 2016 Retailer of the Year Award to Ron Luke of Garretson Food Center:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 11, 2016, as

RON LUKE DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-ninth Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State